

**Guided Reading Activity 3****Central Asia**

Directions: Summarizing Read this section in your textbook to fill in the blanks below.

(1) _____ is the largest of the Central Asian Republics. It is rich in (2) _____. It is independent but has not adopted (3) _____. To the south lies (4) _____. Its major crop is (5) _____. Most of Turkmenistan is part of a large desert called the (6) _____, but the country contains abundant (7) _____ and natural gas. Kyrgyzstan is largely (8) _____. It has little (9) _____. Fertile mountain valleys are found in (10) _____.

The Caucasus Republics generally have a (11) _____ climate, which supports (12) _____. The northernmost republic is (13) _____. Its mountains hold many (14) _____, and rivers provide (15) _____ power to its industries. (16) _____ sits on top of many faults and experiences many serious (17) _____. It continues to have a land dispute with (18) _____. Azerbaijan has a (19) _____ economy. Farmers grow grain, cotton, and (20) _____. Oil and natural gas deposits under the (21) _____ have led to agreements with foreign countries for these resources.